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1. By 19 September Soviet and Chinese mechanics at White Cloud Airfield had assembled 49 jet fighters. Crates containing unassembled aircraft were continuously arriving at Canton by rail from Central China. Assembled planes were tested in the early morning by Manchurian pilots, trained in the USSR. Some of these aircraft are to be assigned to airfields at Swatow, Shaokuan, Hainan, and possibly to fields in Kwangsi.

2. In mid-September 105 Soviet military experts arrived at Canton and were billeted in the Oikwan and White House Hotels, Shameen. These Soviets were destined for assignments with military establishments and high level units to map out military plans with emphasis on coastal defense.

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3. A Chinese [] who recently fled to Canton was told [] that approximately 500 bottles of milk per day were supplied to Soviets, including women and children, in Canton.

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4. [] on 15 September, 120 crates were shipped in 3 railway cars from Champo to Shaho (沙角), near Tienho Airfield. The crates were apparently unloaded at Champo from ships from Vladivostok or Dairen and were believed to contain aircraft and spare parts from the USSR.

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5. Approximately 50,000 laborers have completed the enlarging of Nanning Airfield by one-third its original size. The new construction includes a cement runway one meter thick and several new buildings, including works' ops and barracks.

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6. Chinese Communist practice air maneuvers, in preparation for the celebration of a Chinese Communist national holiday on 1 October, were to be held in late September by the Chinese Communist Air Force (CCAF) at Nanyuan Airfield, in the Peiping area. During these practice maneuvers no other planes were to be permitted to land or take off from this field.

7. On 18 September CCAF activities were as follows:

a. One C-46 of the East China Air Transport Unit left Nanking for Peiping via Hsuehou and Tsinan. The plane was piloted [redacted] It returned to Nanking on the same day.

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b. Training missions:

(1) T'angshan: a number of MIG-15's and 4 TU-2's.

(2) Tsingtao: 21 MIG-15's and one YAK-17 of the CCAF 46 Air Regiment, and a number of MIG-15's of the 48 Air Regiments.

8. On 18 September Soviet Air Force (SAF) training mission from Anshan were as follows:

a. 16 MIG-15's and 2 YAK-17's, [redacted]

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b. 18 MIG-15's and one YAK-11 [redacted]

c. One LA-11 to Antung and back to Anshan during the night.

9. On 19 September CCAF activities were as follows:

a. A total of 100 MIG-15's left Antung and Tatungkou for combat missions in Korea.

b. Training missions:

(1) Shanghai: 2 fighters.

(2) Ch'uehshan: (114-04, 32-49): one IL-12.

10. On 19 September SAF activities were as follows:

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a. 20 MIG-15's left Mukden with [redacted] as flight leader on along distance training mission.

b. Two IL-12's left the Port Arthur-Dairen area for Vladivostok via Mukden.

c. Three IL-2's left Voroshilov for Port Arthur with [redacted]

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11. On 20 September two CCAF fighters flew a training mission from Shanghai.

12. On 21 September CCAF activities were as follows:

a. Antung: 20 MIG-15's left for combat missions in Korea.

b. Chohsien: 2 LA-5's left for Mukden via Chinchou.

c. Training missions:

(1) T'angshan: 28 TU-2's and 2 LA-11's.

(2) Yangts'un: 21 MIG-15's.

(3) Tsingtao: a number of MIG-15's of the 46 Air Regiment, and 19 MIG-15's and one YAK-17 of the 48 Air Regiment.

13. On 21 September 22 MIG-15's and 2 YAK-11's of the SAF flew training missions from Kungchuling [redacted]

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